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Consideration of reports of States parties

List of issues in relation to the report submitted by the Niger under article 12 (1) of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

The State party is requested to submit in writing additional, updated information (10,700 words maximum), if possible before 15 June 2018. The Committee may take up all aspects of children's rights set out in the Optional Protocol during the dialogue with the State party.

1. Please inform the Committee of the budget allocated to the implementation of the Optional Protocol, and provide statistical data, disaggregated by sex, age, ethnicity, nationality, urban or rural residence and socioeconomic background, for the past three years on the number of:

(a) Reported cases of the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, as well as other forms of exploitation, including slavery, *wahaya* (fifth wife) and *talibé*, with additional information on the type of action taken in response;

(b) Children trafficked from, to or within the State party for the purposes of sale, prostitution, forced labour, illegal adoption, organ transfer or pornography as defined in article 3 (1) of the Optional Protocol;

(c) Children offered, delivered or accepted by whatever means for the purposes of prostitution, forced labour, illegal adoptions, organ transfer, pornography or marriage;

(d) Child victims of the offences set out by the Optional Protocol who have been given assistance with reintegration or have received compensation.

2. Please inform the Committee of measures taken by the State party to establish a strategy to prevent and combat the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography and provide it with information on the National Action Plan for Combating Trafficking in Persons (2014–2018). Please also indicate whether the National Child Protection Programme 2014–2019 covers the offences set out in the Optional Protocol.

3. With respect to paragraph 132 of the State party's report (CRC/C/OPSC/NER/1), please indicate what mechanism ensures the coordination and overall monitoring of activities carried out to give effect to the provisions of the Optional Protocol, as well as the mechanism for monitoring and evaluating the implementation of the Optional Protocol.

4. Please provide information on the awareness-raising and training programmes on the Optional Protocol, as well as an evaluation of the results of these programmes, which have

been established by the State party for all professionals working with and for children, as well as for the general public, including children themselves and their families.

5. Please indicate the measures taken to improve the identification of children who are particularly at risk from the offences described in the Optional Protocol, such as children of slave descent, children in street situations, migrant children, refugee and asylum-seeking children, children subjected to forced labour including *talibés*, orphaned children, children separated from their families and unaccompanied children, and *wahaya*, so as to provide them with suitable protection.

6. In the light of the information provided in paragraph 161 of the State party's report, please inform the Committee of the measures taken to implement articles 270.1–270.5 of the Criminal Code and to ensure that perpetrators of child slavery are systematically prosecuted in accordance with the law.

7. Please indicate the measures taken to define the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography as offences in national legislation, in accordance with the provisions of the Optional Protocol.

8. In the light of the information provided in paragraphs 169–172 of the State party's report, please indicate the measures taken to implement the provisions of Ordinance No. 2010-086 on combating child trafficking.

9. Please elaborate on the measures taken to protect the rights and interests of child victims and/or witnesses in criminal proceedings by ensuring that they are not treated as offenders. Please also indicate the measures taken to facilitate the social reintegration of victims and their physical and psychological rehabilitation in facilities with sufficient and competent human resources.

10. Please indicate what steps are envisaged by the State party to establish extraterritorial jurisdiction for all the offences covered by the Optional Protocol and indicate whether those referred to in article 3 (1) of the Optional Protocol are included in extradition treaties.